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When the State of California wrote their Barclay Code (Title 13), they specified certain stack patterns in combination with longitudinal binders (hay ropes). The stack pattern in combination with the hay ropes are what secures hay on a truck. One inch rope as specified by the California Highway Patrol is rated for 12,000 pounds, the same as the four inch straps. The strength of the hay ropes needs to be figured into the formula for securing loads of hay on a truck.

I have spoken with many other drivers, and we feel that the Barclay Code concerning baled hay needs to be followed as closely as possible on the national level.

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